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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner in the above-captioned patent application. A PTO-1449 form listing these documents is enclosed.

This Second Information Disclosure Statement, filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(3), is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicants to comply fully.

Reference is also made to copending application U.S. Serial No. 09/519,998 with the same inventor, and filed on March 6, 2000.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

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It is respectfully requested that the cited document be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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